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Applicant: Ryuichi ISHII et al.

Title: HEAT-RESISTING STEEL,
METHOD FOR THERMALLY
TREATING HEAT-RESISTING
STEEL, AND COMPONENTS
MADE OF HEAT-RESISTING
STEEL

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AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Office Action dated May 21, 2002 concerning the above-referenced patent application. Applicant has enclosed with this amendment a Petition for Extension of Time to make this response timely. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Please amend the application as follows: